

PRESS RELEASE

THE CHAMPIONS RETURN *for the 47th edition of the Hassan II Golf Trophy*

Rabat, 22 January 2023: Under the High Patronage of **His Majesty King Mohammed VI**, the Royal Moroccan Golf Federation and the Hassan II Golf Trophy, presided by **His Royal Highness Prince Moulay Rachid**, presents the 47th edition of the Hassan II Golf Trophy, which will take place February 6-11, 2023 at the Royal Golf Dar Es Salam in Rabat.

Legendary golfers will be starting off this PGA Tour Champions edition of the tournament – a highly anticipated event that will surely bring back many memories for tournament fans who have followed the Hassan II Golf Trophy since its creation.

Indeed, since the Hassan II Golf Trophy began under the initiative of **His Majesty the Late King Hassan II** in 1971, the tournament has attracted players from the World Golf Hall of Fame, including Billy Casper, Bob Tosky, Sam Snead, Gary Player, Lee Trevino, Payne Stewart, Severiano Ballesteros, Vijay Singh, and Ernie Els, among other illustrious names. All of these world-class players have graced the fairways of the Red Course at Royal Golf Dar Es Salam.

This edition will welcome 66 golf legends who have won a total of nearly 200 victories on the American PGA Tour, including three major tournaments. To the great delight of spectators, this year's slate will feature former Hassan II Golf Trophy winners such as Colin Montgomerie (in 1997), David Toms (in 1999), Roger Chapman (in 2000), and Santiago Luna, the record-holder of wins (1998-2002-2003). Also present will be Bernhard Langer, José Maria Olazabal, Retief Goosen, and Tom Lehman, all former participants in the Hassan II Golf Trophy.

The public will be sure to enjoy great golf in an exceptional setting. Regulars and newcomers alike will be able to see live gameplay from champions of the Hassan II Golf Trophy and the world of golf.

This “Return of Champions” tournament will be an emotional experience for the most nostalgic and passionate fans of golf.

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About the Moroccan Royal Golf Federation “FRMG”:

Chaired by **His Royal Highness Prince Moulay Rachid** since January 2018, the Moroccan Royal Golf Federation “FRMG”, founded on March 12, 1960, is a sports association created to provide access to all to the practice of golf, in all of its forms. The Federation oversees the enforcement of standards and ethics drawn up by the international sporting movement, and in particular by the International Golf Federation and the African Golf Confederation.

The Federation’s missions are as follows:

- **The promotion and development of golf practice**
- **The organisation and management of competitions**
- **The rules of golf practice**
- **Training and professionalisation of golf careers**
- **Support for professional players**
- **Management of High-Level golfers**

About the Hassan II Golf Trophy Association “ATH”:

The Hassan II Golf Trophy Association (ATH) is a sports association recognised to be of public interest, created on September 4, 2002 and chaired by **His Royal Highness Prince Moulay Rachid**, who is also the President of the Royal Moroccan Golf Federation (FRMG).

ATH’s mission is to organise national and international golf competitions on behalf of the Royal Moroccan Golf Federation, and to promote golf in Morocco by positioning the Kingdom as a premier international golf destination.

Mutual respect and innovation with authenticity are the values that define the process of progress toward excellence that ATH represents.